U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY ARSENIC RULE BENEFITS REVIEW PANEL TELEPHONE CONFERENCE CALL MEETING CONFERENCE ROOM 6013 ARIEL RIOS August 14, 2001 10:00 AM (EDT)

AGENDA

PURPOSE:

To discuss the draft report, *Arsenic Rule Benefits Analysis: An SAB Review*, from the Panel and to gain closure on items in the report and any needed revisions.

I. Convene the Panel

10:00-10:15 Introduction

Dr. Maureen Cropper Panel Chair

II. Discussion of the Report

Dr. Maureen Cropper

Panel Chair

Panel Members

A. The Charge Questions

- **10:15-10:30 1. Charge Question 1:** How should **latency** be addressed in the benefits estimates when existing literature does not provide specific quantitative estimates of latency periods associated with exposure to arsenic in drinking water?
- **10:30-10:45 2.** Charge Question 2: How should health endpoints (other than bladder and lung cancer) be addressed in the analysis, when [existing] literature does not provide specific quantification, to ensure appropriate consideration by decision makers and the public?
- **10:45-10:55 3. Charge Question 3:** *Should reduction/elimination of exposure be evaluated as a separate benefits category, in addition to or in conjunction with mortality and morbidity reduction?*
- **10:55-11:10 4. Charge Question 4:** How should total benefits and costs and incremental benefits and costs be addressed in analyzing regulatory alternatives to ensure appropriate

consideration by decision makers and the public?

11:10-11:25 5. Charge Question 5: How should uncertainties be addressed in the analysis to ensure appropriate consideration by decision makers and the public?

11:25-11:35 B. General Comments Section

11:35-11:45 C. Letter to the Administrator

11:45-11:55 D. Public Comments

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